

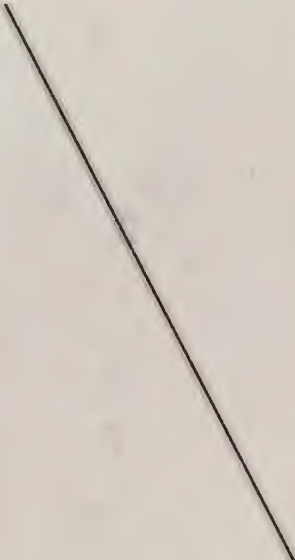
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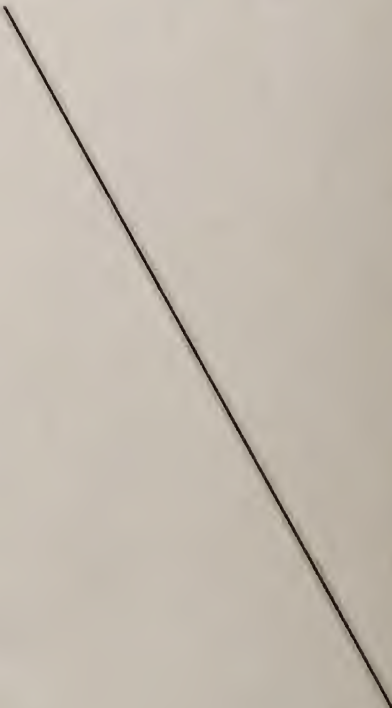


FOREWORD

Time dims the fondest of memories. It is, therefore, the purpose of this, the 1937 Resumé to record those things which in after-school life will make it impossible for us to forget those high school memories and the cherished friendships that mean so much to us.

The staff wishes to thank those who helped in even the smallest way toward making this 1937 Resumé a success.

"We have all done our best;
Angels could do no more."







Top Row—Bass, Weaver, Gilbert, Burd, Davis.
Bottom Row—Rickart, Donaldson, Vinson, Kinney.

SCHOOL BOARD

The school board is composed of seven men: Charles Gilbert, Lester Burd, Carl Davis, Earl Bass, Elmer Rickart, Ross Donaldson and Matt Kinney. Mr. Gilbert is the president and Lester Burd is secretary. Mr. Vinson and Mr. Weaver are the electors from the non-high school district. Mr. Gilbert has been president for five years. Elmer Rickart and Carl Davis are the members whose terms expire this Spring.



A. F. LAURENCE

*"The wisdom of the world is store
Are mine, all mine in trust"*

Augustana College
B. S. University of Illinois
M. S. University of Illinois
Principal, Agriculture, Sociology

EVELYN LINDGREN

*"The power of men, all our hearts
alone,
And what Tompkins was, is Lady
more"*

Coe College
Illinois State Normal
University of Illinois
Music and Girls' P. E.

HELEN NEWELL

"She doeth all things well"

A. B. McMurray College
State University of Iowa
English and History

ANNA GRAHAM

"A still small voice"

A. B. Monmouth College
A. M. University of Illinois
Graduate work at Illinois U.

JUNE BURKHART

*"Her care has never to offend,
And every creature was her friend"*
Secretary, Armstrong High School

O. K. BOWEN

*"Naught man could do, have I left
undone"*

Purdue University
A. B. Earlham College
M. A. University of Illinois
Coach, Mathematics, Physical Education,
Manual Training, Farm Shop

VERA HOFFMAN

*"Whate'er thy hand fadeth to do,
do it with all thy might"*

A. B. Indiana Central College
Iowa State College
Home Economics and Science

GERALD PORTER

*"A monarch clothed with majesty and
glory,
His mind his kingdom, and his will
his law"*

B. F. D.
Whitewater State Teachers' College
State Teachers' College

CLASS PROPHECY



Having been given a long Summer vacation in 1952, we decided to take a trip to get away from political racket caused by the coming presidential election in which Aaron Metz was running on the Democratic and Van Ludwig on the Republican ticket. After little difficulty we found some of the addresses of our old classmates.

We boarded an aeroplane, "The Spirit of St. Louis," at St. Louis. We found the pilot to be the one and only Gordon Parsons. Among his passengers was his wife, the former Miss Alice Burton of Fithian. After this first shock we journeyed on to Dickerson, Va., where we rented a car and went for a drive in the mountains. In an attempt to climb a steep mountain our car stalled. On going to one of the near farm-houses for help we found the owner, Mr. Edgar Fletcher, rocking his young son on his knee. While we were talking over old times his wife, formerly Frances Carlson, entered from milking her cow. We spent the night with this charming couple. The next morning Eddie obliged us by taking us back to Dickerson. From there we went by train to St. Augustine, Florida. Being weary from this day and a half journey we decided to take in the tennis tournament. We were thrilled to find the champion one of our old classmates, Verna Mae Wolf.

We spent the afternoon there and left immediately for New Orleans, where we were electioneered by Katherine Gwin, who was publishing Argentine propaganda against Aaron in the coming election. We left New Orleans and traveled by bus to Del Rio, Texas. Here we each purchased a horse and started to explore the country. On the way, we were stopped by a man who wished to trade horses. On looking more closely we found this to be LeRoy Ellett who is following in his father's footsteps of horse buying. He invited us to his home for supper. We were met at the gate by LeRoy Jr. and his two little sisters. At the door we met his charming wife, whom we knew as Arvona Barr. As we were preparing for supper the two cowhands came in whom we recognized as Lawrence Crist and Leon Reynolds. We traveled on to Hollywood and on attending the latest movie we found the leading roles were played by Dorothy Booher and Charles Collins. The next day we decided to go down to the beach for a dip. My companion, being a very poor swimmer and going too far out in the water, was rescued by the romantic life-saver, Robert Woodworth. We journeyed on to Reno and found one of the most prominent cases to be that of Mrs. Kent Stonestreet, former Miss Verna Frerichs, against her husband for divorce, naming Florence Siddens as co-respondent. We decided then to visit our old teacher, Mr. Bowen, who has now retired on a farm near Ridgefarm, Illinois. He was so excited he almost lost his large chew of tobacco when he met us at the door. After he was seated in his easy chair and had lit up his corncob pipe we settled down to a quiet evening of talking. He and Mrs. Bowen were thrilled as Mary Barth was coming home from college. He was much troubled as to how he should vote in the coming election as both candidates were old scholars of his. Arriving home we found Richard Ludwig, brother of the Republican candidate, was nearly overworked from his active part in the campaign.

Under the winner of this election we hoped to have a pleasant time during the administration.

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT



We, the members of the Senior Class of A. T. H. S., being about four years of age, of sound mind and memory do make, ordain, publish and declare this to be our last will and testament to be executed immediately after publication of "The Resumé."

To all the faculty we do will and bequeath our esteemed gratitude for all the benefits and fancies we have so unappreciatively received.

To the Juniors, we leave our seats in the Assembly.

To the Sophomores, our stand-in with the teachers.

To the Freshmen, our ability as leaders.

I, Aaron Metz will my Democratic arguments to Robert Bass.

I, Arvona Barr will to Mary Louise Fairchild my Potomac boy friends.

I, Charles Collins, will that my popularity with the girls be divided equally between Jay Vinson and Peter Grubb.

I, LeRoy Ellett will my ability to teke tall blonde girls to Penfield to E. J. Blakney.

I, Edgar Fletcher will my side of the middle seat on the Collison bus to Charles Lane.

I, Leon Reynolds, will my ability to be interested in only one of the opposite sex to Mary Foster.

I, Verna Frerichs, will my temper to Paul Longenbaugh.

I, Lawrence Crist, will my shyness around girls to Howard Carter.

I, Richard Ludwig, will my graceful tap dancing steps to Gene Kinney.

I, Frances Carlson, will my hearty giggles to Opal Douglas.

I, Gordon Parsons, will my place in the Freshman row to Russell Williams.

I, Katherine Gwin, will my "gift of gab" of annual ads to Lois Morris.

I, Kent Stonestreet, will my accurate typing and speed to John Walter.

I, Dorothy Booher, will my musical talent to Edna Firebaugh.

I, Van Ludwig, will my success in love to Richard Davies.

I, Florence Siddens, will my love for zebras to Marjorie Funkhouser.

I, Robert Woodworth, will my business ability to Durward Gwin.

I, Alice Burton, will my love for nature to Ballard Bridgeman.

I, Verna Mae Wolf, will my quietness and meekness to Sarah Ludwig.

Our remaining property whatsoever and wheresoever of what nature, kind and quality, we give to the faculty to be disposed of for the good of the coming classes as they may see fit.

The foregoing instrument was signed by the said Senior Class, and by them declared as and for their last will and testament, and they here-unto subscribe their names as attesting witnesses at Armstrong, Illinois, on this twenty-seventh day of May, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and thirty-seven.

THE SENIORS OF '37.

HIGH SCHOOL CALENDAR

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- Sept. 11—Class officers were chosen for all classes.
Sept. 14—Won first baseball game of the season from Rankin.
Sept. 15—First order of Senior rings came.
Sept. 21—School entertained the Freshmen at a wiener roast.
Sept. 28—Brrr! Everyone wearing coats due to cooler temperature and an incomplete heating system.
Sept. 29—Half day vacation. Senior staff in last session for selecting sponsoring company. What a long session!
Oct. 2—Beat Potomac 7-0 in first no-hit-no-run game.
Oct. 6—Remainder of Senior rings came. Date set for Senior pictures.
Oct. 7—Armstrong beat Bismarck, tying with Rankin for Little Six championship.
Oct. 8—School straw vote showed Landon and Brooks winners.
Oct. 13—A. T. H. S. lost chance at first place championship in Little Six.
Oct. 16—Beat Cissna Park's baseball team here.
Oct. 18—The Armstrong page printed in Danville Commercial-News.
Oct. 21—We wondered why Jay V. kept giving Irma chewing gum!
Oct. 22—Senior pictures taken; Junior play tryouts.
Oct. 23—Group pictures taken.
Oct. 26—Junior play cast chosen; a shorn lamb is one who loses his shirt in stock market—Mr. Porter.
Oct. 29—New cheerleaders hold first pep meeting.
Nov. 4—Six members of All State Chorus left.
Nov. 5—Argus, the magician, here.
Nov. 6—Many of the Glee Clubs attend All State Chorus Concert.
Nov. 13—Lost first basketball game of season to East Lynn.
Nov. 19—T. D. I. C. had pot luck supper.
Nov. 20—A. T. H. S. beat Potomac!
Nov. 24—Armstrong beat Henning.
Nov. 25-30—Thanksgiving vacation.
Nov. 30—Final plans made for annual sales.
Dec. 1—Many students attend International Livestock Show, Chicago.
Dec. 5-7—Junior Class Play, "Lady Spitfire."
Dec. 8—Several boys attend International Harvester show at Chicago, Ill.
Dec. 9—Vermilion County Festival at the Armory in Danville.
Dec. 11-12—New Gymnasium initiated at foursome blind tourney.
Dec. 17—Visitor's Day.
Dec. 19—Entire school entertained by Freshman Class at the annual Christmas party.
Jan. 4—Chorus work beginning in earnest for operetta.
Jan. 18—Operetta cast chosen.
Jan. 21—T. D. I. C. had regular meeting with a pot luck supper.
Jan. 27—Bus load of students went to Danville to see "Romeo and Juliet."
Feb. 2—T. D. I. C. meeting.
Feb. 10—T. D. I. C. gave Valentine party to F. F. A. boys.

CALENDAR (CONT.)

Feb. 22—Miss Newell absent from school.
March 1—Paul Langenbaugh has the spring fever.
March 3—Regional tournament opened.
March 10—Dress rehearsal for operetta.
March 12—Operetta given and termed a success.
March 13—F. F. A. Tournament here.
March 16—T. D. I. C. gave basketball banquet.
March 22—Local elimination contest for public speaking.
March 30—Senior play and cast selected.
March 31—Armstrong won first in Mixed Chorus Contest at Hoopeston.
April 2—Sub-district speech contest held at East Lynn.
April 3—Sub-district speech contest held at Rantoul.
April 8—Tapping revue.
April 14—County speech contest.
April 17—District music contest.
April 24—District typing contest.
May 14—Senior Play.
May 18—Junior-Senior Banquet
May 23—Baccalaureate.
May 27—Commencement.
May 28—Picnic.



SENIOR CLASS HISTORY

The Senior Class of '37 entered the walls of A. T. H. S. in a bewildered state in the fall of 1933. During the course of the year the freshmen were hosts and hostesses to a Christmas party. The officers chosen were: Leon Reynolds, President; LeRoy Ellett, Vice-president; Richard Ludwig, Secretary-Treasurer; and Katherine Gwin, Student Council, with Mr. Bowen, Advisor.

They passed into their second high school year with 32 Sophomores showing up. This year their task was to give the Hallowe'en party. Also, the English II class had charge of the publication of the bi-weekly school paper which they called the "Rambler."

The class officers were: LeRoy Ellett, President; Genevieve Clark, Vice-president; Edgar Fletcher, Secretary-Treasurer; Katherine Gwin and Alice Burton, Student Council with Mr. Thompson, Advisor. Verna Frerichs and Earsel Thomas joined the group that year.

On November 8 and 9, we gave our Junior Class Play, "Folks Next Door." The proceeds of this play, together with class dues, went for the entertainment of the Seniors at the Junior-Senior banquet, which was held May 19 at Danville.

The fourth year brought forth shouts of glee from twenty Seniors. Plans for the rings and pictures were quickly begun. The class officers were: Van Ludwig, President; Gordon Parsons, Vice-president; Katherine Gwin, Treasurer; Alice Burton, Secretary; Richard Ludwig, Verna Mae Wolf, Frances Carlson, Aaron Metz, Student Council with Mr. Bowen, Advisor, for the third time.



ARVONA BARR

"Lend me your silent rapture"
Glee Club 1, 2, 4; Student Council 3; G.A.A.; School Paper 2;
Operetta 1, 2; Minstrel 2; Resumé Staff 3, 4.

LAWRENCE CRIST

"For he was tall and brave and strong."
Baseball 1, 2, 3; Basketball 3, 4; Glee Club 3,
4; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Operetta 3, 4; Junior Play.



DOROTHY BOOHER

"Blue-eyed and beautiful she goes"
Glee Club 1, 2, 4; Orchestra 1, 2, 4; Urbana High 3; G.A.A. 4;
Phi Kappa 3; Operetta 1, 4; School Paper 2, 4; Dance Revue 4;
"Hot Copy" 4; Minstrel 2.

ALICE BURTON

*"Courage is but a word, and yet of words,
The only sentinel of permanence."*
Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Orchestra 1, 2, 3, 4; Oper-
etta 1, 3, 4; Public Speaking 1, 2, 3, 4; Student
Council 2, 3; Paper 2, 3, 4; Secretary 4; An-
nual 3, 4; Junior Play; TDIC 4; G.A.A. 2, 3,
4; "Hot Copy" 4.



FRANCES CARLSON

*"May I have learned to light my lamp within
So that the passing world may look and see."*
Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Orchestra 1, 2; Plays 1, 2, 3; G.A.A.; Op-
eretta 3, 4; Student Council 4; Girls' Council 4; Annual; School
Paper 4; "Hot Copy" 4.

CHARLES COLLINS

"Six feet two—eyes of blue."
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Operetta 1, 2, 3; "Hot
Copy" 4; Pres. Boys' Council 4; Glee Club 1,
2, 3; School Paper.



EDGAR FLETCHER

"I thank whatever gods may be for my unconquerable soul."
Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 3, 4; Operetta 3, 4; Play 3; F.F.A.
1, 2, 3, 4; Secretary 1.

VERNA FRERICKS

*"Four years of problems strange and new
Encountered with a courage true."*
Gifford 1; "Saving Dad" 1; Glee Club 1; An-
nual 3, 4; "Hot Copy" 4; TDIC 4.



KATHERINE GWIN

*"She has a smile that reaches out and scatters sunshine all
about"*
Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Orchestra 1, 2, 3, 4; Operetta 1, 3, 4; Stu-
dent Council 1, 2; Public Speaking 1, 2, 3, 4; Vice-Pres. 3;
School Paper 2, 3, 4; Junior Play; Pres. Girls' Council 4; An-
nual 3, 4; G.A.A.; "Hot Copy"; Treas. 4; TDIC 4.

LEROY ELLETT

*"An eye for a maid, never too bold, never
afraid."*
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; "Hot Copy"; Boys' Coun-
cil; F.F.A.; Baseball 3, 4.

AARON METZ

*"The blindest fury and the subtlest plan
He turns or tames or shows in their degrees."*

Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Student Council 4; Annual; Junior Play;
"Hit Copy"; Public Speaking; Operetta 1, 3, 4; School Paper 4.

RICHARD LUDWIG

*"Mine are the minutes as they fly to meet
or throw away."*

Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior
Play; Operetta 1, 3, 4; Annual 3, 4; Student
Council; Boys' Council 4; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

VAN LUDWIG

"There is no awe, for youth is the divine."

Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Operetta 1, 3, 4; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Senior
Play; Class President 4; School Paper 2, 4.

GORDON PARSONS

*"Present and past my heritage; the future
laid in my control."*

Glee Club 1, 2, 3; Baseball 1, 3, 4; Operetta 1,
3; F.F.A.; Junior Play; Senior Play; Student
Council; School Paper 2, 4; Basketball Mgr. 4

LEON REYNOLDS

*"So faithful in love and so dauntless in war,
There never was man like the young Leon."*

Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Ag Judging Team 2; School Paper 4.

VERNA MAE WOLF

*"O little self, within whose smallness lies
All that man was, and is, and will become."*

Public Speaking 1, 2, 4; Student Council 4;
Girls' Council 4; School Paper 2; Annual 3, 4;
Glee Club 1, 2; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

FLORENCE SIDDENS

*"And I looked forth far, from road to star;
And I knew it was far to climb."*

Glee Club 1, 2, 4; TDIC 4; Operetta 1, 4; G.A.A.

KENT STONESTREET

*"Luminous passions reign high in the soul
of man."*

Operetta 1, 2, 3; Glee Club 1, 2, 3; Basketball
2, 3; Baseball 2, 3; Play 2; Football 2, 3.

ROBERT WOODWORTH

"I am the master of my fate, the captain of my soul."

Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Annual; Operetta 1, 3, 4.

ROY WALTER

*"An honest man is the noblest work of
God."*

F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Judging Team 2, 3, 4.





JUNIOR CLASS

First Row—N. Butts, L. Downing, W. Brethorst, C. Foster, A. Clark, Miss Graham, advisor.
 Second Row—M. Foster, M. Juvinal, M. Elliott, L. Booher, L. Morris, M. Funkhouser.
 Third Row—H. Havener, P. Longenbaugh, H. Schlueter, R. Simpson, I. Bloomer, M. Fairchild, J. Burd.
 Fourth Row—H. Carter, E. Kissack, M. Swanson, E. Burton, R. Schoolcraft, R. Bass, E. Ross.



SOPHOMORE CLASS

First Row—M. Yount, H. Ellett, R. Fleetwood, M. Parsons, R. Wallace, M. Altman, E. Barry, M. Meitzler, R. Harrison, Miss Newell, advisor.
 Second Row—G. Wright, R. Williams, M. High, P. Ingelsbee, B. Judy, E. Blakney, R. Davies, E. Firebaugh, S. Ludwig.
 Third Row—H. Crawford, B. Johnson, M. White, J. Britt, S. Elvis, W. Foster, C. Campbell, E. Berry, K. Swenson.
 Fourth Row—D. Fletcher, J. Cade, B. Bridgeman, K. Blackford, J. King, M. Metz, J. Walter, J. Vinson, V. Grubb, R. Doran.



FRESHMAN CLASS

First Row—O. Hardin, C. Lane, L. Kissack, C. Lynch, A. Hess, E. Strader, J. Spurling, Mr. Porter, advisor.
 Second Row—R. Simpson, R. Roberts, E. Jarvis, A. Workheiser, O. Douglas, M. Allison, J. Morris, E. Smith.
 Third Row—I. Kite, V. White, R. Wolf, B. Bruns, W. Cook, M. Fairchild, R. Staley, H. Hall.
 Fourth Row—D. McConnell, W. Boehme, J. Kinney, L. Simpson, D. Gwin, R. Carter, L. Neff, P. Grubb.

Junior Class History

This year 24 Juniors entered these familiar halls to begin their third year of high school. The class elected officers as follows: President, Clara Foster; Vice-President, Julia Burd; Secretary and Treasurer, Marjorie Funkhouser; Student Council, Irma Bloomer, Robert Bass, and Earl Kissack; and Advisor, Miss Graham.

On December 4 and 7, the Juniors presented the play "Lady Spitfire." The receipts from this play and also on candy sales were used to give the annual Junior and Senior Banquet.



Sophomore Class History

In the fall of 1936 a class of more experienced students started eagerly to work for their second year of school. Although there were a few who had been lost from last year's class, the number have gained the honor of being the Sophomores now.

The Sophomores started the year out by electing officers. Those elected were: Class Advisor, Miss Newell; President, Charles Campbell; Vice-President, Sarah Ludwig; Secretary, Helen Ellett; Treasurer, Keith Blackford; Student Council, Mary High and Johnnie King.

Because of the building of the new gymnasium, the Sophomores didn't get to entertain the upper classmen with a Halloween party as is customary each year.

New members of the class are: Kathleen Plotner and Richard Davies.



Freshman Class History

History repeats itself, so do not be surprised if the history of the class of 1940 happens to be in some respects much like a great many other class chronicles you have read. There is still enough difference to give us a personality of our own.

In the Fall of 1936, we entered the high school a band of thirty young people, prepared to endure the various experiences necessary to the training of Freshmen.

Our minds and characters developed under the genial influence of our teachers and comrades. After our order was arranged, we organized our class, October, 1936. Our class advisor was Mr. Porter; our president, Jean Kinney; vice-president, Charles Lane; secretary, Durward Gwin; and treasurer, Lois Kissack. No side of life was neglected, even in our first year. On December 19, 1936, we gave a Christmas party for the rest of the school. In January, 1937, the girls who took clothing went to Champaign, and visited the university where they saw much that was interesting.

We have enjoyed being Freshmen, and we are looking forward to our next three years.





Honor Students

The annual staff sponsored an election before the student body to elect honor students for this year. Those elected were, left to right: Aaron Metz and Katherine Gwin, leadership; Charles Collins, best athlete; Alice Burton and Martin Metz, scholarship.



Student Council

The student council is an organization consisting of four seniors, three juniors, two sophomores, and one freshman. The duty of the body is to arrange and organize student activities which involve the entire student body. Also it provides an occasional assembly. The members are:

First Row—F. Carlson, senior; Mr. Laurence, advisor; R. Bass, junior; V. Wolf, Senior.

A. Metz, Senior; R. Ludwig, Senior.

Second Row—M. High, sophomore; I. Bloomer, sophomore; J. Kinsey, freshman; E. Kissack, Junior; and J. King, sophomore.



Resumé Staff

The plan for selection of the annual staff is as follows: The first staff was elected and selected its assistants. These in turn become the staff and select their own assistants. The staff is as follows:

Editor-in-Chief, F. Carlson; Asst., C. Foster; Business Manager, R. Woodworth; Asst., R. Bass; Literary Editor, A. Burton; Asst., M. Fairchild; Circulation Manager, A. Metz; Asst., J. Burd; Athletic Editor, R. Ludwig; Asst., R. Schopcraft; Art Editor, K. Gwin; Asst., M. Funkhouser; Snapshot Editor, A. Barry; Asst., I. Bloomer; Class Editor, V. Wolf; Asst., L. Morris; Typist, V. Frerichs; Asst., L. Boeber; O. K. Bowen, Sponsor.

THE CURRICULUM



"What subjects shall I take?" is a student's question nearly as old as our school system. In early times, English, Latin, Religion, History and some elementary sciences only were offered. The favored few who received an education in those days accented this offering without argument. Debates and orations were about the only outside activities sponsored by the school.

During the years there has been a steady change in subject-matter policy and attitude towards education. The public school system has been extended so that it controls most of the education below the college level, education being compulsory up to a certain age in nearly every state. With the coming of universal education and the scientific mechanical age there has arisen the need and demand for varied curricula suited to the different needs and talents of the student body.

Greater emphasis must be laid upon the sciences—Chemistry, Biology, Physics, etc.—which are basic in our life today. When Home Economics was first introduced in our schools it was ridiculed by mothers. Today the public expects girls to get a large part of their instruction in Clothing, Foods, and Home Management in the schools. Farmers see to it that their boys get the practical farm training at home; while a large part of the scientific agriculture is received at school. Commercial subjects are offered in nearly every high school today. Typing especially develops co-ordination between mind and hand. The various commercial courses give the student a picture of what the work is like. If they do not completely prepare a student for a position they have cut down the amount of time necessary for such preparation.

Athletics are provided primarily for the development of sportsmanship, team work and the body. If it offers an opportunity for a boy to capitalize on his athletic ability to make a part or all of his living, it has served a purpose. For most students it offers an outlet for recreational activity.

Similarly our Music and Speech contest work do not fit people for responsible positions. They may give an insight into professional opportunities in connection with radio performances, etc. Music instruction develops in the student an appreciation of the art and its recreational value. Both Music and Speech give intensive training in self-control, ability to appear before the public, and in memorization. Speech work trains the student in enunciation, pronunciation, and in clear thinking before groups.

There is a great diversity of opinion as to what the goal of high school education should be. Many people feel that a high school graduate should be definitely trained for a specific occupation. That would be fine if it would work. But in these days of rapid change, who knows just what specific training young folks should receive so that they will be adequately prepared for life ten to thirty years hence? A general training seems most practical and vital today. That appears to be the present plan of our school work. Schools will differ in their desire and ability to go beyond this general instruction to meet the specific needs and demands of the interested patrons.

A.T.H.S. COURSES OF STUDY

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Two groups of subjects or curricula are offered to the incoming student, with the hope that the individual needs and goals will be more satisfactorily met. If he or she plans to go to a higher institution of learning, the college preparatory courses should be taken; if not, either group may be taken—the College Preparatory or the Vocational (the latter usually being the more popular).

A unit of credit is given for each subject successfully pursued for 38 weeks of five days, which is a school year. A major includes three units from any one group. For example, three years of English is a major. A minor includes two units from any one group. Two years of Latin make a minor.

The subjects are grouped as follows:

1. English I, II, III, IV.
2. Sciences—Chemistry, Physics, Biology, General Science.
3. Mathematics—Elementary and Adv. Algebra, Plane and Solid Geometry.
4. Languages—Latin, French.
5. Social Sciences—History, Civics, Economics, Sociology.
6. Commercial—Typing, Bookkeeping, Shorthand, Commercial Arithmetic and Commercial Law.
7. Home Economics—Clothing, Foods, Home Management.
8. Agriculture—Soils and Crops, Animal Husbandry, Farm Shop.
9. Manual Training.

The University requires fifteen units of acceptable credits with the following limitations: there must be three majors or two majors and two minors from the first five groups of subjects; of the majors English must be one.

The following are the requirements for the two courses of study:

Vocational:

Required—English 3 years
American History & Civics
General Science or Biology
Major—3 units from groups 6 to 9
Minor, 2 units, same groups

College Preparatory:

Required—English 4 years
Algebra
Plane Geometry
Am. History & Civics
Social Science—2 units
Gen. Science or Biology

The following is a list of subjects open to students of the various classes; those marked with an asterisk (*) are given only alternate years.

Freshmen—English I, Algebra, Gen. Science, Music Theory, Animal Husbandry,* Soils and Crops,* Manual Training, Clothing, Ancient History.

Sophomores—English II, Plane Geometry, Biology, Music Theory, Animal Husbandry,* Soils and Crops,* Manual Training, Foods,* Modern History, Typing I, Latin I, Gen. Business Training.*

Juniors—English III, Adv. Algebra & Solid Geometry,* Chemistry,* Typing I or II; Latin II, Sociology,* Economics,* Bookkeeping,* Shorthand,* Commercial Arithmetic and Law.*

Seniors—English IV and American History. Remainder same as Juniors.



MANUAL TRAINING

First Row—R. Wallace, R. Simpson, D. McConnell, J. Walter, J. Vinson, W. Cook, V. Grubb.

Second Row—Mr. Bowen, instructor; R. Fleetwood, R. Wolf, P. Ingalsbee, J. Cade, J. Kinney.

Third Row—D. Fletcher, C. Campbell, K. Blackford, J. King, W. Foster.

Fourth Row—G. Wright, W. Boehme, R. Doran, P. Grubb, E. Blakney.



ENGLISH III

First Row—I. Bloomer, H. Havener, M. Fairchild, C. Foster, A. Clark, M. Funkhouser, N. Butts.

Second Row—L. Crist, F. Siddens, H. Schlueter, M. Foster, M. Juvinall, L. Morris, V. Frerichs.

Third Row—J. Burd, R. Simpson, M. Swanson, P. Longenbaugh, E. Burton, W. Brethorst, H. Carter.

Fourth Row—Miss Graham, standing, L. Ellett, R. Schoolcraft, R. Bass, E. Kissack.



AMERICAN HISTORY

First Row—C. Collins, F. Carlson, A. Burton, D. Booher, R. Bass, A. Barr.

Second Row—L. Crist, M. Foster, L. Ellett, G. Parsons, E. Fletcher, K. Gwin.

Third Row—R. Ludwig, F. Siddens, V. Ludwig, V. Wolf, L. Reynolds, R. Woodworth.

Fourth Row—K. Stonestreet, A. Metz, V. Frerichs, Miss Newell.

Manual Training

The regular course in Farm Mechanics, offered to juniors and seniors, was supplemented by a course in wood work, offered to freshmen and sophomores. Being offered for the first time, the demand was too great and the class was much larger than it should have been. Mr. Bowen felt that the boys would work best on articles of their own choice, and so a great variety of things were made. The workmanship was not always the best, but we feel sure we have accomplished a great deal and the articles will become priceless as the years go by. We hope that in the near future the board of education can see fit to purchase some power-driven equipment.



English III

The English III class started work this year by reading and acting out plays. The class saw the Puritan narrowness of spirit break down under the stress of awakened emotion brought on by the American revolution and express itself in the writings of authors of that period.

The class felt that modern literature, on the whole, is more interesting, because it is more mature and more varied than earlier writings. Written in the present, it appeals more to our tastes and sympathies. However, they realize that literature is life, and the story of America's progress is contained in the written accounts of men and women living while great changes were taking place. As such they have value in addition to their power of revealing personality and literary qualities.



American History

With current events forming the nucleus of study, and formal history used as background material, the history department has further developed its program during the past year. Careful use has been made of a non-partisan weekly magazine of current affairs, and discussion of current topics heard by radio and seen in news-reels, has been encouraged.

The Civil Government Class, as has been the custom for the past three years, visited a session of the State Legislation at Springfield. They also visited the Lincoln Shrines there.





COMMERCIAL CLASS

First Row—J. Cade, V. Wolf, M. High, S. Elvis.
 Second Row—R. Walter, R. Harrison, C. Campbell.
 Third Row—R. Schoolcraft, M. White, H. Schlueter.
 Fourth Row—R. Bass, K. Stonestreet, H. Ellett.
 Fifth Row—E. Merry, B. Bridgeman, Mr. Porter, instructor.
 Sixth Row—C. Collins, N. Butts, R. Simpson.
 Seventh Row—B. Johnson, L. Morris, M. Juvinall.



AGRICULTURE CLASS

Standing—R. Wolf, Mr. Bowen, L. Berry, R. Fleetwood, G. Wright, B. Bridgeman, J. Spurling, C. Lane, R. Wallace.
 Seated—K. Blackford, M. Swanson, D. Gwin, W. Foster, J. King, J. Vinson, Mr. Laurence, instructor; D. McConnell, R. Doran, R. Walter, R. Schoolcraft, L. Simpson, J. Kinney, R. Bass, V. Ludwig, D. Fletcher, H. Hall, R. Ludwig.



HOME ECONOMICS

Front Row—Vera Mae White, Cecil Lynch, Alice Workheiser, LaVerne Neff.
 Back Row—Roselyn Roberts, Elizabeth Strader, Mary Elizabeth Allison, Inez Kite, Margery Fairchild, Miss Hoffman, Lois Kissack, Opal Douglas, Jane Morris.

Commerce

The objective of the Commercial Department is to give young people sufficient training in business for them to meet the every-day problems of life; and "come out on top". Thus, all of the Commercial subjects are taught with personal use stressed more than preparation for business.

The courses offered this year were Beginning Typewriting, Advanced Typewriting, Bookkeeping, Shorthand, and General Economics. The most popular courses were Bookkeeping and Beginning Typewriting.

The Royal Purple, our high school newspaper, is a bi-weekly publication of this department.

Ten people participated in the individual Commercial Contests this year and every typing student took part in the Mass Typewriting Contest, which is something of a new innovation.



Agriculture Class

The Agricultural Class has been led for the last several years by our principal, Mr. Laurence. He has worked very hard to get each judging team in shape for the judging contests. There are several trips made to farms for practice judging. Also there are score cards studied very effectively.

The question may be asked, "Why study agriculture?" The answer to this is agriculture. It is America's greatest vocation and is worthy of a very detailed study. No profession or vocation is widely separated from agriculture. We are all consumers of agricultural products each day. The boy who enters the vocation cannot go into this field unprepared to compete with his neighbor, who has made a very close study of the art and science of farming.

The local chapter of the F.F.A. is planning a week's outing at Lake Decatur near Decatur, Illinois.



Home Economic Class

Home Economics doesn't mean merely cooking and sewing, but the preparation of home-making, which has been accepted as one of the major objectives of education.

There are numerous other phases of Home Economics which a girl may enter as a career through Home Economics other than home-making.

Whether one's life's work is in the home, school, factory, office, hospital or store, one will find need for the study of home-making.

Frances Willard said, "If I were asked the mission of the ideal woman, I would say it is to make the whole world homelike."

NOVELTY PAGE



SENIORS	LIKES	FOUND	WEAKNESS
Alice Burton	Dark eyes	Studying	Explosions in Lab.
Frances Carlson	Play football	Tying knots in her hair	Fish worms
Richard Ludwig	Red hair	Sitting on the floor	Likes to draw
Charles Collins	Play Santa Claus	With any girl	His lady teachers
Dorothy Booher	Dancing	Calling Penfield	P.W.A.
Van Ludwig	To pay fines	East end of town	Bashfulness
Gordon Parsons	Freshman girls	In freshman row	Airplanes
Verna Frerichs	Bookkeeping	Talking	Blondes
Robert Woodworth	To talk	Under his hat	A brunette sophomore
Aaron Metz	To argue	With Van	Democrats
Verna Mae Wolf	To giggle	Studying	Making A's
LeRoy Ellett	A variety	Missing	Sad Movies
Arvona Barr	Freshmen	Where she shouldn't be	Coming in late at noon
Katherine Gwin	Freckles	Writing letters	Red Hair
Leon Reynolds	Singing	Holding hands	Copying wrong answers
Edgar Fletcher	To hurry	Working hard	Teasing
Laurence Crist	Short girls	Sleeping	Being serious
Kent Stonestreet	Wine, Women and Song	In Royal	"I hope to die"
Florence Siddens	Collect pictures	Loafing	Being sophisticated



BASKETBALL

First Row—Ellert, Kissack, Foster, R. Simpson, Collins (Captain), Doran, Campbell, Coach Bowen.

Second Row—Bass (Mgr.), McConnell, L. Simpson, Davies, Ludwig, King, Blackford, Carder, Gwin, Parsons (Mgr.).
Not in picture: Schoolcraft.



BASEBALL

First Row—Collins, R. Ludwig, Ellert, Parsons, E. Fletcher, D. Fletcher, Campbell, V. Ludwig, Bowen (Coach).

Second Row—Mgrs. Fleetwood and Wright, Schoolcraft, Foster, R. Simpson, Bass, Doran, L. Simpson.

BASKETBALL



At the beginning of the basketball season, the outlook was indeed black for Coach Bowen. Only four lettermen returned from last year's squad; the new gym was not finished, and the team had to journey to Henning once a week for their only practice. The first regular practice was held in the new gym January 6, 1937.

In spite of these handicaps, Coach Bowen turned out a very successful team—placing well above the average in the county standing. Not only did his team meet the strongest teams of the county, but they never suffered a severe defeat. By the end of the season the boys were going top speed, but were somewhat crippled by illness during the District Tournament.

When the new gym was completed, it was dedicated with an invitational tournament consisting of four teams—Penfield, Rankin, Potomac and Armstrong.

With five sophomores on the team, the outlook seems very bright for Armstrong for the next two years.

The schedule was as follows:

East Lynn	32	Armstrong	26
Potomac	33	Armstrong	34
Henning	28	Armstrong	29
Oakwood	27	Armstrong	28

Dedication Tournament

Henning	21	Armstrong	27
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Hoopeston Invitational Tournament

Rossville	35	Armstrong	25
Oakwood	22	Armstrong	31
Alvin	6	Armstrong	28

County Tournament

Rankin	34	Armstrong	29
Georgetown	29	Armstrong	34
Rossville	34	Armstrong	30
Hoopeston	21	Armstrong	16
Catlin	34	Armstrong	29
Penfield	17	Armstrong	29
Rankin	29	Armstrong	19
Stockland	28	Armstrong	42
Potomac	25	Armstrong	40
Henning	28	Armstrong	24

BASEBALL



When Coach Bowen looked over his material for baseball this year, he found his prospects somewhat crippled by the loss of several lettermen. The loss of Stover, Jackson, Vinson, Carder, and Parker by graduation was a blow to the team whose ambition it was to again win the Little Five Championship.

This year's squad was composed of Campbell, Foster, Ellett, Schoolcraft, E. Fletcher, Doran, R. Ludwig, V. Ludwig, J. Fletcher, Kinney, Parsons, Collins, Bass, R. Simpson, L. Simpson.

At the end of the regular schedule, the standing showed Armstrong, East Lynn, and Rankin on top with four victories and one defeat. In the first game of the play-off, Armstrong played Rankin and lost to them. Rankin then defeated East Lynn for the championship.

The outstanding feature of the season was the no-run no-hit game played with Potomac. This is the first time this has happened in the history of the Little Five League. The Armstrong battery was J. Fletcher and Ellett.

Rankin 14	Armstrong 18	Potomac 0	Armstrong 7
Henning 1	Armstrong 14	Bismarck 1	Armstrong 5
East Lynn 5	Armstrong 1	Cissna Park 1	Armstrong 5
Oakwood 2	Armstrong 1	Rankin 10	Armstrong 8
(Non-con.)			

	AB.	R.	H.	BA.
R. Schoolcraft	26	8	6	.230
E. Fletcher	30	10	13	.433
R. Ellett	30	10	11	.366
R. Doran	28	9	9	.321
R. Ludwig	27	6	13	.472
C. Campbell	24	7	5	.208
W. Foster	23	5	9	.391
G. Parsons	19	4	2	.105
J. Fletcher	8	0	1	.125
R. Bass	3	1	1	.333
V. Ludwig	3	0	2	.666
R. Simpson	6	1	1	.167
L. Simpson	2	0	1	.500
C. Collins	5	0	2	.400
Totals	234	61	76	.326



OPERETTA

The operetta selected for this year was "The Belle of Bagdad". The cast, consisting of all seventy out for music, spent from the first of December until March 12, in its preparation. It was the first production given in the new gym, and the largest single crowd ever to attend a school production, was present.

The principal characters were Helen Havener, Julia Burd, Katherine Gwin, Frances Carlson, Robert Bass, Marvin Swanson, Shirley Elvis, Van Ludwig, Charles Campbell, Mary Louise Fairchild, Alice Burton, Dorothy Booher, Richard Ludwig, and Paul Longenbaugh. Mrs. Lindgren almost put one foot in the grave; in fact, she did put one foot through a chair and landed in a hospital.



MIXED CHORUS

First Row—B. Johnson, M. Funkhouser, H. Havener, M. High, A. Burton, J. Burd, M. L. Fairchild, M. F. Fairchild, M. Foster.

Second Row—R. Fleetwood, R. Wallace, F. Carlson, D. Booher, H. Schlueter, S. Ludwig, K. Gwin, C. Campbell, D. McConnell, Mrs. Lindgren.

Third Row—V. Ludwig, L. Simpson, M. Swanson, L. Reynolds, R. Simpson, A. Metz, K. Blackford, R. Bass, and R. Ludwig.



ORCHESTRA

First Row—Mrs. Lindgren, H. Rickart, pianist; K. Blackford, R. Bass, R. Wallace, F. Carlson, M. Fairchild.

Second Row—I. Kite, M. Yount, M. Foster, E. Firebaugh, A. Burton, H. Schlueter, J. Britt, H. Ellett.

Third Row—M. Fairchild, K. Gwin, J. Burd, M. Funkhouser, S. Elvis, J. King, F. Siddans, S. Ludwig.

Fourth Row—B. Johnson, H. Havener, D. Booher, C. Campbell, L. Booher, L. Downing, L. Kissack.



JUNIOR PLAY

First Row—Julia Burd, Hilda Schlueter, Irma Bloomer, Mary Louise Fairchild, and Helen Havener.

Second Row—Marvin Swanson, Robert Bass, Paul Longenbaugh, Ervin Burton, and Miss Graham, coach.



SENIOR PLAY

First Row—Dorothy Booher, Verna Frerichs, Alice Burton, Frances Carlson, and Katherine Gwin.

Second Row—Mr. Bowen, Van Ludwig, Gordon Parsons, Charles Collins, Aaron Metz, LeRoy Ellett, and Mr. Porter.



DRAMATICS

First Row—Elizabeth Strader, Shirley Elvis, Hilda Schlueter, Alice Burton, Mary Louise Fairchild, and Verna Mae Wolf.

Second Row—Ray Fleetwood, Edna Firebaugh, Roselyn Roberts, Mary Belle Almon, Mary Foster, Katherine Gwin, Ronald Simpson, and Miss Graham.

Third Row—Donald McConnell, E. J. Biskbey, Ervin Burton, Aaron Metz, Keith Blackford, Martin Metz, and Glenn Wright.

"HOT COPY"

A small town newspaper supplied the setting for the 1937 Senior Class production, "Hot Copy." The play, a three-act comedy of the newspaper world, depicted a struggle between the Armstrong Evening Herald and Dudley Kay, an aspirant to the office of Mayor.

The struggle based on a political squabble over the municipal water system resulted in the downfall of Dudley Kay (Gordon Parsons) and placed the hero, Kenneth Wade (Aaron Metz) in a position to obtain his heart's desire.

Rapid fire comedy carried on by Dorothy Booher, Katherine Gwin, Frances Carlson, Van Ludwig, Charles Collins, and LeRoy Ellett made the play a success. Alice Burton and Verna Frerichs supplied the society angle so necessary to any small town setting.

A radio broadcast setting for the third act made possible the rendition of several vocal and musical selections. Radio announcements of localized nature added spice and comedy to the situation.

Able assistance by the entire cast with regard to stage management and selection of costumes was a factor in the success of the play. The production was directed by Mr. Porter.

THE CAST

Sylvia Dale	Katherine Gwin
Bill Gregory	Van Ludwig
Bud Rice	Charles Collins
Jane Corwin	Dorothy Booher
Hazel Winston	Alice Burton
Kenneth Wade	Aaron Metz
Randolph Peters	LeRoy Ellett
Dudley Kay	Gordon Parsons
Peggy Wilson	Frances Carlson
Mrs. Devine	Verna Frerichs

"LADY SPITFIRE"

The Junior Class presented "Lady Spitfire," December 5 and 7 in the school auditorium. The setting of the play is the Rutherford School for Girls. Hilda Schlueter played the part of Miss Prudence, head of the school; and Irma Bloomer, Mary Louise Fairchild and Helen Havener, the roles of Ginger Reid, Flobelle Berthon and Cynthia Dale, girls attending the school. The part of "Lady Spitfire," Kay Sutton, was capably handled by Julia Burd, assisted by her team mates, Tom Brown and Bud Jones, two enterprising young college students, whose parts were taken by Marvin Swanson and Paul Longenbaugh. Ralph Schoolcraft impersonated Mr. Sutton, Kay's father, and Ervin Burton, Henri DuFrayne, who had planned to elope with Kay for her money. Robert Bass, as Jed Buell, the constable, supplied the audience with plenty of laughs.

The receipts from the play, plus the profits made from selling candy bars and pencils at the basketball games, will be used to pay the expenses of the Junior-Senior Banquet.

DRAMATICS

A large number this year showed interest in the literary contests. Alice Burton dramatic declamation; Verna Mae Wolf oratorical declamation; Roselyn Roberts humorous declamation; and Katherine Gwin, verse reading represented the school at East Lynn, April 1, in the sub-county contest, and at Rantoul, April 2, in the sub-district contest. In the sub-county, Alice placed first and Katherine, second; and in the sub-district, Katherine placed first. Alice, therefore, enters the county contest at Oakwood, April 14, and Katherine, the district contest at Normal, April 18 and 19.

The one-act play, "Spreading the News" by Lady Gregory, placed third in the sub-district contest at Champaign, April 1.



ROYAL PURPLE

First Row—L. Downing, A. Burton, K. Gwin, Editor, V. Wolf, Mr. Foster.
 Second Row—S. Ludwig, J. Burd, I. Bloomer, L. Bocher, H. Rickert, F. Carlson.
 Third Row—M. Elliott, V. Ludwig, G. Parsons, R. Quinn, L. Reynolds, S. Elvis.



G. A. A.

Bottom Row—A. Clark, E. Strader, C. Lynch, A. Hess, A. Winkheiser, V. Wolf, A. Barr, K. Gwin, L. Kinsack, Mrs. Lindgren.
 Second Row—M. Funkhouser, E. Freibaugh, V. White, C. Foster, M. Yount, E. Barr, L. Downing, I. Kite, H. Elliott, R. Roberts.
 Third Row—J. Morris, R. Harrison, M. White, M. Meitzler, S. Ludwig, M. High, M. Allison, M. Fairchild, M. Foster, O. Douglas.
 Fourth Row—H. Crawford, I. Bloomer, S. Elvis, B. Bruns, D. Bocher, L. Bocher, F. Carlson, J. Britt, M. Fairchild, K. Swenson, F. Siddens.
 Top Row—M. Parsons, M. Juvinall, E. Berry, H. Schlueter, L. Neff, M. Elliott, J. Burd, A. Burton, M. Altman, L. Morris, B. Johnson.



TRY AND DO IT CLUB

First Row—H. Elliott, M. Meitzler, R. Harrison, F. Siddens, K. Gwin, Miss Hoffman, advisor.
 Second Row—E. Freibaugh, H. Crawford, E. Barr, M. Parsons, S. Ludwig, M. High.
 Third Row—M. Altman, H. Hevenet, M. White, K. Swenson, J. Burd, E. Berry, L. Bocher.
 Fourth Row—D. Moehler, V. Franichs, I. Bloomer, S. Elvis, H. Schlueter, A. Burton, J. Britt.

"ROYAL PURPLE"

"The Royal Purple" was chosen this year as the name to designate the school newspaper. The paper was published bi-weekly by the Commerce Department.

The position of Editor-in-chief was very capably filled by Katherine Gwin, with Alice Burton as her assistant. Leon Reynolds was business manager. The reporters are: Irma Bloomer, Dorothy Booher, Julia Burd, Frances Carlson, Robert Doran, Shirley Elvis, Sarah Ludwig, Van Ludwig, Gordon Parsons, Helen Rickart, and Verna Mae Wolf. The typing work was done by Louise Booher, Laura Downing and Maxine Elliott. Mr. Porter was sponsor.



G. A. A.

This organization was formed this year in the girls' physical education classes. This is a state organization. In this work the girls play basketball, kittenball and enjoy other sports. Occasionally they take a long walk into the country.



TRY AND DO IT CLUB

The Try and Do It Club was formed early in the school year by the Home Management girls and other girls interested in Home Economics with the exception of Freshmen. At the first meeting the club colors, lavender and yellow, and the club motto, "Glorify Work and Be Happy," were selected, and the constitution adopted. Meetings were to be held twice a month during the school year. Mary High was elected president; Sarah Ludwig, vice-president; and Julia Burd, secretary and treasurer.

Several of the members learned to knit, and make purses, sweaters, and scarfs.

Many interesting meetings were held, including a wiener roast, Valentine party for the FFA, Christmas party and others. A program on "The Contributions of Eight Great Women to Home Economics" was given on Visitors' Day.

The club served the basketball banquet and lunch for the FFA tournament. Lunch was served to the student body during noon hour every Thursday throughout the winter months.

Paul Parry



To show our gratitude for his earnest efforts to assist us in all we undertook, we, the Senior Class of 1937, respectfully dedicate this Resumé to Mr. O. K. Bowen, who has been our friend and advisor during our high school career.

Oliver Fontaine

THE SLEIGH RIDE

We get up in the morning, we're chuck full of delight,
The ground is gaily covered with a soft blanket of white.

We hear the sleigh bells ringing, we hear their merry sound
And soon we all are singing as we skim o'er the ground.

And oft in years to follow we think of those happy days;
We look back o'er our youth with a merry, happy gaze.

We feel we're growing older, as time rushes by,
We find life like that sleigh ride, ending when we die.

ERVIN BURTON



SPRING

Steps begin to lag and drag; eyes begin to gaze
Out of the windows—everywhere. It's the spring daze!

Teachers are found grumbling due to answers poor,
But how can one study well when his eyes stray toward the door?

Boys and girls seen holding hands, watching with wistful eyes
The beauty of spring all around which strengthens friendship ties.

The Seniors seem more solemn and the hours to them fly
For soon it will be time for them to bid Armstrong good-bye.

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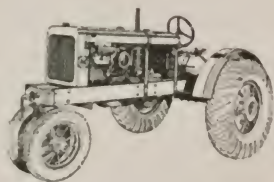
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